



shining example of the 7Cs. Thank you and Happy Birthday Esther! I hope everyone has a safe and healthy Memorial Day weekend.

A lot is happening on reopening efforts throughout the city and region and we are trying to keep up while taking a cautious approach to reopening our public facilities. Again, I'd like to thank all the staff that allow me to do my job to provide public services to our community. I have been your city manager for 1 year now and I rely on your commitment, knowledge, and support. I want to give a special shout out to my Executive Assistant Esther Clemente who had a birthday on Wednesday and is a

### CITY OPERATIONS

We continue to work on making safety improvements to our city facilities and are targeting early June to re-open City Hall, MLK and the Library based on County Health guidelines. As I previously mentioned, we won't open facilities to the public until we are ready and want to hear your ideas and concerns prior to that milestone. We will continue to keep staff updated on progress to reopen as we move forward. We have targeted June 1 as the date that we are prepared to have teleworking employees come back to work safely, but your supervisors will work with you to assess your specific situation and if additional accommodations are warranted.

### STATE & COUNTY FUNDING

The County of San Diego Board of Supervisors voted to approve sharing a small portion of the funding that the County previously received from the Federal CARES Act with cities in San Diego County (excluding the City of SD since they received relief funds directly). Based on those discussions, National City may receive up to \$1 million which must be used for COVID-19 related expenditures. We will be working with the City Council to determine the best use of those funds based upon the requirements of the grant. We are also advocating for the federal government to fund additional legislation, such as the HEROES and SMART Acts, that contains direct revenue relief for smaller cities.

### PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

This year's theme of National Public Works Week is "The Rhythm of Public Works" and we encourage the community to think of the department as a symphony of essential services; Streets, Wastewater, Parks, Facilities Maintenance, Vehicle Fleet divisions along with the support of administration staff. We greatly appreciate your hard work and dedication for keeping the city safe & clean. Even in the midst of COVID-19, our Public Works professionals are working on road repairs, fixing police cruisers, fire engines and other City vehicles, keeping sewer lines flowing, checking city infrastructure, beautifying and maintaining our parks and right of ways. Thank you for keeping our community going! Director of Engineering and Public Works Roberto Yano's presentation to the City Council honoring the Public Works Staff can be viewed [here](#).

## **REMINDER\* PUBLIC SERVICE DRAWING CONTEST!**

The International City/County Managers Association has created a [coloring book](#) that celebrates the millions of men and women who serve their communities in local government every day. The book shows the type of work local government employees perform and provides information and questions designed to spark conversation with kids about the ways their parents serve their community. Since many of our employees' children are at home right now, we thought it would be fun to share the book with them, and have a contest for the best drawing representing what their family member does at work each day!

Entries should be submitted on a 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper. Pages 24 and 25 of the coloring book also have blank sheets of paper. The contest is open to kids 12 and under. The top entry in each of the following age categories will win a \$20 Walmart gift certificate: 2-5 years, 6-8 years, and 9-12 years. Scan and email entries with your child's name and age to the [cmo@nationalcityca.gov](mailto:cmo@nationalcityca.gov) mailbox **by May 26**. Winners will be announced June 1!